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Shooting Sentence Decided In Leavenworth

LEAVENWORTH, Kan. (AP) - A rural Leavenworth man has been sentenced to seven years and three months in prison for the shooting death of another man in 2013.

The Kansas City Star reports that 49-year-old Jeffery Allen Sifford, of Leavenworth, was sentenced Friday for voluntary manslaughter in the death of 58-year-old Richard Eugene Luse. Sifford also was sentenced on charges of possessing marijuana and drug paraphernalia

A witness saw Luse and Sifford struggling over a gun inside a trailer. Sifford's attorney said that at the time of the shooting, Sifford believed Luse was going to hurt him.

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